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THE THIRD GENERAL NATIONAL CONGRESS, AN IMPORTANT
EVENT IN OUR MILITANT MARCH.

On the 9th of June 1982, our Omani Revolution celebrated two important events: the 17th Anniversary of the beginning of the Revolution and the inauguration of the Third General National Congress of the Front which has opened its sessions on that day celebrating the great anniversary of the Omani Revolution. It was announced in the closing statement of the Congress that the celebration of the 17th anniversary of the beginning of the armed struggle, the Glorious 9th June Revolution, this year is joint with a great event in the history of the Omani Revolution and the national movement in our country; holding of the Third General National Congress of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman. This is for sure the greatest event celebrated on the occasion of the anniversary of our Revolution. Our Congress achieved great successes and victories and its most important resolutions will influence positively our forthcoming militant work. The Omani Revolution, on occasion of its 17th anniversary recalls its honourable history and its sacrifices on the path of achievement of the aspirations of our people for a free and independent Oman, prosperous and free from imperialists forces and bases. Every year on the 9th of June the Revolution recalls the of its sacrifices, the blood of martyres and the great struggle against the regime, enemy of the right of the people for freedoms, and independence. The regime which depends on the foreign forces and has opened the doors of our country to the imperialists forces and bases, thus threaten the security and safety of our people and the peoples of the whole Arabian Gulf and Peninsula region. Today on the 9th of June on occasion of the 17th anniversary of our triumphant Revolution, the Omani Revolution will continue its struggle. Our country's situation involve two opposed options: a free homeland or its domination by the imperialists forces and bases. The Omani Revolution carries out its struggle since 17 years now, for the interest and rights of all the Omani people, the interests and rights of the whole homeland, its right for living, its right for sovereignty, through the liberation and unity and of its right for a democratic development. The people's Front for the Liberation of Oman will continue to confront bravely the puppet regime of Masqat which puts the destiny of Oman in danger. Our Omani people are conscious of the dangers of the aggressive military presence and the dangers of the treason of the puppet regime of Masqat. Therefore, the issue of great importance is the unity of the national Omani forces, to continue the struggle and safeguard its victories and unity of the country, to confront the policy of the american imperialists who tries to dominate our beloved Oman.



PART OF THE SPEECH GIVEN BY COMRADE ABDUL AZIZ ABDULRAHMAN AL-KADHI, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE PEOPLE'S FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF OMAN AT THE OPENING SESSION OF THE THIRD NATIONAL GENERAL CONGRESS.

Dear Comrades,
Dear Guests,

Under the slogan: "In the cause of an organisation of vanguard and strengthen national unity. In the cause of the realisation of the objectives of our people in the liberation, democracy and social progress". We declare the Third National General Congress of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman open.

Dear Comrades,

This congress holds today its session in very hard conditions in the international and local situation which set our congress before important and vital tasks. They consists mainly of the necessity of an appropriate and scientific analysis of this situation and schedule the revolutionary

method, programmes and resolutions that correspond to our revolutionary objectives and aspirations in the national and international fields consistent with the analysis and the main trends of the scientific development laws.

A fact of great significance in the actual international situation is the growing struggle of the national liberation movements and the strengthening of the success achieved by the revolutionary forces in their historical struggle for freedom, democracy and peace against the imperialism, reaction and fascist groups. Therefore, world imperialism topped by the USA pursue a policy of escalation of tension and dangers in the international relations, signing military aggressive pacts and setting up land and sea bases in order to threaten the socialist countries the national liberation movement

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and newly independent countries. This irresponsible policy of imperialism jeopardizes world peace by its adventures and its escalation of tension that can lead to the disaster of a new world war.

In front of these dangerous and aggressive behaviour of the imperialists circles, the struggle of the peoples continue and grows. Their struggle is escalating and growing in order to halt the imperialist adventures and to rescue detent in international relations, to stop the arm race and to prevent the world from the dangers of a new world war.

**the imperialist
aggressive policy in
our Arab region**

Our Arab region witnesses today new and dangerous escalation of the imperialist, Zionist and reaction's fierce attack on the democratic and national liberation movements, and sovereign Arab countries with the aim of kneading them to the Camp David accords, to the domination of the Arab region by the international, especially American imperialism in total coordination and cooperation with its Israeli allies and the lackey Arab reaction.

International imperialism have played efforts to deploy huge aggressive military bases and its forces in our Arab region in addition to the signing of several military pacts against the aspirations of the peoples of the region and the necessity to decrease the tension in the international relations and the preservation of peace.

The imperialism and its daughter Israel could not go so far in their military plans against the Arab peoples and their national movements without the treacherous of the Arab reaction ruling in some Arab countries such as Egypt, Oman, Somalia, Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Morocco etc....

Unless the self weakness that they suffers from, several

Arab national liberation movements could undoubtedly achieve victories and important success by their steadfast and through their struggle to face the aggression.

**Actual
economic, social and
political situation in
Oman.**

In the local sphere our Omani homeland has faced during the past few years with important and dangerous situation as the lackey Qaboos with his British advisors have set up their "Constructive" programme of economic, social and administrative sectors which they make use of for their private interests and the interest of the imperialism and reaction. Thus, they attempt to strengthen their domination on our homeland and on our people through various form of blackmail, propaganda and falsification against our militant and against the fraternal and friendly neighbouring peoples. The economic, social and administrative policies that the lackey Qaboos and his advisors have undertake during the previous short period of their programme has occurred clearly new transformations, elements, contradictions and advantages in the actual situation of our homeland than eight or twelve past years, the intermediate period between the second and the third general national congress of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman.

The new policies of the imperialists and their lackeys have involved new figures and elements in the social and economic life in our country in addition to the political situation which also have witnessed several and dangerous transformations during the previous year. Repression and submission have increased and the links between our country and the imperialist plans in all spheres in the Arab and international relations

have been strengthened. The role played by the Sultanate of Oman today comes within the framework of the imperialist play and differs totally to its role of previous years. Even today, under the lackey Sultan's rule is in the heart of the imperialists and Israeli concerns and their strategy not only in the Gulf region but also in the whole Arab region and Middle East.

It is well known that we are fighting face to face with the American imperialism considering its direct military presence in our country which have been turned to an important American base in the area and which have become a practical part of the Camp David pact.

**Our Congress on the
actual situation.**

All the new transformations and dangerous pacts which have occurred to the economic, social and political life in our country our congress should apply great importance as the new economic and social changes of our country requires to the revolutionization to produce suitable and numerous developments in the

methods of struggle, in the form of mobilization at the level of vanguard itself, in the revolutionary strategy and tactic lines.

What I would like to emphasize is that our congress holds its session today under unusual and difficult circumstances. Our Omani people, the militants of Front and friends of our Revolution in the Arab and International circles are attentive and confident that this congress will improve the Omani revolution forward, will find suitable solutions to the difficulties and problems that menace our march and set up a new stage for further activities in various militant spheres.

One of the factors that make our revolution and the current situation in our country very important for our friends, for the supporters of the Revolution for the Arab and international opinion in the great importance of Oman in the political map of the region, its significance and particularly which have an influence on the whole revolutionary and political situation of the Gulf and Arab Peninsula area. The very important form of our struggle in this vital and

*Two celebrations
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success of our
Congress and
the anniversary
of the Glorious
9th June
Revolution.*



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sensitive region still depend on the armed struggle, which is the highest form, of the basic and necessary method of struggle in the actual circumstances of our country in order to realize the objectives of our people through the liberation of our country from foreign domination and the regime of the lucky local ruler for the achievement of freedom and the total independence of our country, of our courageous people.

the period between the two congresses.

The period between the two congresses has witnessed several events and developments that in consequences reflected negatively or positively on the conditions of the Front in various spheres.

Immediately following the conclusion of the Second General National Congress we were faced with escalation of military campaigns of the enemy forces on the lands liberated by the revolution, especially the western region which is the most vital as well as on the rear position on the installations of the Front inside the lands of the Democratic Yemen in Al-Mahrah Governorate.

As you are well aware, these campaigns of the enemy forces have led on the withdrawal of our forces from the western region despite the heroism of our excellent fighters in these campaigns of fierce fighting during the year 1976 and the second half of 1977.

In November 1977, our forces stationed in the western region were surrounded by the enemy forces and were threatened to a total annihilation. The withdrawal from this region were therefore very necessary as it were better losing the land than the land and fighters in the same time.

The huge air, land and sea forces of the enemies in these campaigns constitutes one of the factors of the military defeat and our withdrawal from the western region, but this



doesn't constitute the main factor.

These campaigns were stepped up while the Front suffered from divisions and the local and the fighters in general. In addition, the real need for the confrontation during these campaigns were short and weak before the aggression.

During the year 1976, we were in a real interior crisis threatening clearly to turn the military defeat to a political defeat and to the defeat of the whole revolution, that the enemy has wished such.

Dear Comrades,

The third periodical meeting of the Central Committee has resulted on a clear and defined programme for the period coming after the defeat. These results despite their importance for the revolution and despite that they indicated the right way of outlet of the Front from its crisis were opposed and have resulted on the 5th October tumult that stopped the implementation of the said programme in practice as well as all the resolutions of the third periodical meeting till the end of January and the beginning of February 1977, although the results of that meeting were laid down later than the anticipated period.

Dear Comrades,

The accomplishments reached under the programme of transformation are modest and didn't

arise from the efforts of the Central Committee only, but from the efforts of a big number of active and sincere members of the revolution in the rank of the leadership, the cadre and the basic rank.

We are convinced that our biggest achievement under the previous programme is the fact that we have protected the revolution up to now, we have safeguarded its previous positive success and the political line of the revolution which does not know capitulation and does not set at rest the imperialists and their puppet regime and we have added some new modest success to those we have kept.

If we return to the situation of the difficult period especially in 1976, it appears that safeguarding the revolution up to now is the biggest accomplishments under the programme of transformation and the slogan that rised from the programme: "to struggle for rebuilding ourselves intellectually, politically and militarily and to continue the revolutionary struggle"

Dear Comrades,

We do not declare that all the tasks of the previous programme and of the slogan have been realized. Such a declaration would contradict the facts

Many basic shortages in a number of spheres have not been completed within the framework of those defined tasks as

required. These shortages should be the concern of the new Central Committee to be elected at this Congress, and should be the concern of this Organization in general during the new militant stage after the General National Congress in order to get over the shortages through continuous efforts.

Dear Comrades,

The Central Committee of the Front were careful on holding the General National Congress only after the development of the conditions in political and organization spheres considering the importance and the great hope of this Congress. In its turn the Central Committee have taken care of well preparing the Congress although this required a long time.

The importance of a congress do not lay on its holding

but on the quality of its results and resolutions. For the first time in the history of the Revolution, similar measures have been taken for the preparation of the General National Congress of such importance.

I take this opportunity to extend thanks to all who have participated by their efforts, their remarks and proposals in the preparation of the Third General National Congress under the direction of the Preparatory Committee of the Congress.

As regards the preparation of the Congress, I would like to praise the temporary Bulletin "the Congress" for its great role in the preparation of the Third General National Congress. This new tradition should be safeguarded for the preparatory stage of our congresses. I take this opportunity to extend thanks to the editors and others members who participated in the publication of this bulletin.

Dear Comrades delegates of the Congress:

During the period situated between the two congresses,

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on the path of struggle and confrontation with the enemy, we have lost four of the thirteen members of the Central Committee elected by the Second General National Congress: martyr Commander Ahmed Ali Al-Mayahi -Zaher- Martyr Commander Saeed Al-Mazrouqi

"Sultan" martyr Commander Salim Saeed Buddad and martyr Commander Salim Mohamed Abu Nasser.

With the loss of the four heroes the Central Committee which activities and capability were effected has lost four prominent members.

the third national congress and the Glorious 9th June Revolution

Dear Comrades, Our General National Congress in inaugurated seventeen years after the beginning of the armed struggle in the 9th of June 1965, the Glorious 9th June revolution

Holding our Congress in this important day, we would like to announce and let all hear us that we are tied up with the Glorious 9th June revolution, its revolutionary resistance and its highest fighting spirit, we are tied up with its armed struggle which has been since the beginning and still in one of the basic and necessary forms for the national struggle in our beloved country.

We would like to announce to all that we will not leave Oman to the british, americans, to their puppet saboos and to the other lackeys who have betrayed their people and the national cause.

Inaugrating this National Congress and celebrating this National Day we would like to announce that the revolution is alive and the revolutionaries are alive. Whatever defeat and difficulties are will not stop the true revolutionaries, but will give them more strength and will increase their determination to continue the struggle until victory or death.

Dear Comrades delegates,

At the opening session of the Third General National Congress, we take this opportunity on the occasion of the 9th June to convey our greetings to our militant people, workers, herdsmen, fishermen, farmers, revolutionary intellectuals, craftsmen and soldiers, to the mothers fathers and parents of the martyres of the 9th June, to the political detainees in jails under torture, to their mothers, fathers and their parents, to our comrades in positions of confrontation against the enemy forces. To all of them we extend our greetings on the occasion of the opening session of the Third General National Congress of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman, on the occasion of the 17th anniversary of the Glorious 9th June Revolution. We promise them that we will go forward in the revolution until the final victory or death.

We are determined to achieve victory and are confident. We do not put a time-table for achieving victory. What we define from now is that we will remain revolutionaries forever and therefore will win. The holding of this congress is a great success for us and for the cause of our people. Its holding is a sign and new prove that we will win. Long live the anniversary of our heroic martyres. Long Live the 17th anniversary of the Glorious 9th June Revolution. Glory and Success for the Third General National Congress. Thank you and peace upon you.

LIGHTS ON THE 3rd CONGRESS

On Wednesday June 9, in an atmosphere of revolutionary enthusiasm under the slogan "In the cause of the Vanguard organisation and expanded national unity. In the cause of the realisation of the objectives of our people through liberation, democracy and social progress" opens the Third National General Congress of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman.

Following the minute of silence observed on the memory of the heroic martyres of the 9th June Revolution, Comrade Abdul Aziz Al-Qadhi, Secretary General of the Central Committee delivered the opening speech in which he welcomed the Comrades delegates of the Yemeni Socialist Party headed by Comrade Ali Ahmed Antar, member of the Politburo, First Deputy Premier and Minister of Local Government who have attended the opening session of the Congress.

Addressing the delegates and guests, Comrade Abdul Aziz Abdulrehman Al-Qadhi emphasised the tasks placed before the Congress in the actual international Arab and Local difficult situation.

Amid ovations and singing slogan "We will consolidate our unity and cohesion between the 9th Revolution and the Socialist Party" the delegates of the Congress greeted Comrade Ali Ahmed Antar. On behalf of the Yemeni Socialist Party, he delivered a speech and conveyed the greetings from Comrade Ali Nasser Mohammed CC Secretary

General, Chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme Peoples Council and Premier and from the Comrades members of the Politburo and the Central Committee to the Comrades delegates of the Third National General Congress of the Front. In his speech, he reaffirmed the struggle links which joint the 14th October and 9th of June Revolutions which were materialised by the joint blood in defending the two Revolutions in Yemen and Oman. He also expressed the high appreciation of the Yemeni Socialist Party and the People of Democratic Yemen towards the 9th June Revolution under the leadership of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman and our Omani People in his struggle against the imperialist military especially the Anglo-American presence and against the puppet regime in Oman.

Comrade Ali Ahmed Antar concluded his speech, wishing the Third National General Congress of the Front success and praised the comradesly and revolutionary spirit and the great enthusiasm reigning at the Congress.

The 9th June Revolution has started 17 years ago in 1965. 17 years later on 9th of June, on Wednesday, the Omani Revolution celebrated an historical event, the holding of the Third National General Congress which confirms that our militants and people are faithfully continuing their struggle.

On this great occasion Comrade Abdul Aziz Al-Qadhi and Comrade Saleh Munassar

Asselli member of the Politburo and chairman of the State Security attended a rally in Hadhramout Governorate. Speech on behalf of the PFLC and on behalf of the Party and State were delivered.

DEAR READERS:

THE FOLLOWING EXTRACTS OF THE SPEECH BY COMRADE ABDUL AZIZ ABDULREHMAN AL-QADHI AT THE OPENING SESSION OF THE THIRD GENERAL NATIONAL CONGRESS WILL BE PRINTED IN THE NEXT ISSUE.